



## Trudy Elliott Hicks

September 13, 1953 - August 22, 2014

Trudy Harriet Elliott Hicks born September 13, 1953 to the late Herbert and Corine (Gray) Elliott at the Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Portsmouth Virginia. Departed this life unexpectedly on Friday August 22 in Portsmouth, Virginia. Although a Navy “brat” she was raised in Norfolk, Virginia except for a few years in Annapolis Maryland. Trudy or “Dewey” (the nickname given by her little sisters in childhood” was always adventurous and mischievous resulting in a lot of antics growing up. Trudy accepted Christ at an early age and was always encourage to participate in church activities. We fondly remember Trudy singing in Union Chapel AME church Junior Choir. Trudy was educated in the Annapolis and Norfolk Public School systems, graduating from Booker T Washington High School in 1971. She continued her studies at Norfolk State University and received her Bachelor’s degree in Human Resources from Saint Leo University. Trudy was joined in marriage to Erskine Roderick Hicks in 1986.

Being reared in a work ethic family, Trudy had always been gainfully employed until her health deteriorated. She has been successful at Virginia National Bank, U. S. Navy’s MAC Terminals, and the Norfolk Naval Supply Center. Wishing to explore other career opportunities Trudy worked awhile in Real Estate and then pursued her career calling in Human Resources with New York Times, Ntelos Wireless, and Integrity Staffing Solutions.

Everyone who knows Trudy is fully aware that she was a true Washington Redskins football fan. Any fan of a competitor who had the “nerve” to express disparages on her Redskins would be the recipient of a barrage of statistics and sometimes the fight song. Trudy was very active in local current affairs and often worked on different political committees and campaigns. She was also an active BTW Alumni looked forward to all functions and reunions.

Of all her loves, Trudy’s family was top billing. She truly cherished her children Damond and Corinne and raised them lovingly and encouraged them to participate in many activities. Trudy poured her love over her grandchildren and expressed kindness to all she encountered. Trudy loved family gatherings and being a frustrated chef, she could be counted on bringing an “imaginative” dish that she took so much time to prepare and then explain. Oh how we got a kick out of that. But even as her health faded Trudy stayed family oriented. With cellphone and tablet in hand she stayed on top of what was going on in all our lives. She always had a word of encouragement and an ear for listening. We are so grateful to God that he blessed Trudy to be here for the birth of her newest granddaughter Ciara Monet on July 1st of this year.

Besides her husband, Trudy leaves in fond memories a son Damond Elliott, and a daughter Corinne Hicks; three granddaughters Simone Elliott, Makaela Ricks, Ciara Hicks, and Katreia Edwards; three sisters Maxine Osborne, Evangelist Linda Elliott, and Judith Bonds (Tony); an aunt Audrey Gray; father-in-law Erskine Reginald Hicks ; brother-in-laws David Hicks and Mark Hicks ; sister-in-laws Cheryl L. Hicks and Kim Hicks, ; nephews ; nieces ; and a huge host of cousins, and very special friends.

We love Trudy with all our hearts and held on to her with all our might. But God’s will must be done and he swiftly plucked her from his earthly garden to take her home for her rest in him. We loved her but He loved her best.

Loving Submitted by the Family

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Memorial Gardens

6329 Virginia Beach Blvd.  
Norfolk, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy  
Chesapeake, VA

## Service

AUG 28. 12:00 PM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy  
Chesapeake, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Trudy Elliott Hicks



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - August 27, 2014 at 01:12 PM

VH

“ Maxine and family, I was so sorry when I heard about your loss. I Immediately began to pray for your family. I continued to pray that the Mighty God that we serve will Bless , guide and keep you and yours.



Vee Howell - September 08, 2014 at 09:39 PM

PH

“ To the Hicks Family  
We were shocked to hear of the passing of Trudy. I can remember her coming by the house in Prentis Park to pick up Corrine when they got off the bus from Parkview. Her laughter was so joyful. Corrine would run to her and she would give her the biggest hug ever. She loved her family. She is in the hands of God and is healed and happy. RIP LOVE The Hill Family ( Danny, Phyllis, Ciara, and Chanel



Phyllis Hill - August 30, 2014 at 01:55 PM

RT

“ Praying for your family. I will truly miss my friend. She kept abreast of what was going on and in turn let me know what was going on .Though she was going through, her faith never wavered. Her attitude was that of a warrior. She loved and she loved deeply and spoke fondly of those she loved, Judy, Damond, Rod, Corinne and her grandchildren . Her smile was infectious . Working with Trudy at MAC terminal was where we first met. I can remember us having to go in during a snow storm,(we were working the second shift) only to be sent home when the airfield was shut down. We rode in with Larry Ricks that day, when they sent us home, she chose to sit in the front seat of the van and told me to sit in the back, which was fine with me. Well, It took us four hours to get home. Watching the snow continuously coming down and the windshield wipers moving, my brave friend who wanted to sit in the front seat, turned around and said, "I'm feeling sick, can you sit in the front seat."

*Though we loved her God loved her best. She will be missed .*

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**Reta Taylor** - August 28, 2014 at 09:08 AM

JB

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



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**Judith Bonds** - August 27, 2014 at 02:20 PM

JO

“ *Trudy was a wonderful person and dear friend throughout high school and beyond. She was a positive person and a dear friend. Even though we lived in different States, she was always there for me if I needed an ear. I will miss you!*

*JoAnne Washington*

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**JoAnne** - August 27, 2014 at 11:59 AM

JS

“ *RIP TRUDY YOUR beautiful smile and kindness will be MISSED. FAMILY WE The Alumni of BTW. C/O 1971 are praying for the family. GOD will give you strength Just Hold on to GOD unchanging Hands. Prayerfully & Sorrowfully Submitted by Janice Smith-Lee & Family BTW C/O 1971*

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**Janice Smith-Lee** - August 26, 2014 at 02:25 PM

MM

“ *Michelle McDowell lit a candle in memory of Trudy Elliott Hicks*



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**Michelle McDowell** - August 26, 2014 at 12:25 PM

SO

“ *To the Hicks Family, may God give you the strength and comfort you need at this time. Trudy and I had many classes and laughs together at BTW.*

*Sandra Bray Overton  
BTW Class '71*

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**sandra Bray Overton** - August 25, 2014 at 09:08 PM